In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-8 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Claims 1-8 (Canceled).

Please add the following new claims:

9.   (New)   A method for operating a push-to-talk communication between a

2   Push-to-Talk communication system (PoC) group comprising at least one member of a

first communication network, and a PoC group comprising at least one member of a

4   second communication network operated by a second network operator, using a PoC

application server in each communication network, the method comprising:

6   connecting the members of the PoC-group of the first network operator with the

members of the PoC-group of the second network operator;

8   connecting the members of the PoC-group of the first network operator from the

side of the second network operator;

10   connecting the members of the PoC- group of the second network operator from

the side of the first network operator; and

12   synchronizing the PoC application servers.

10.   (New) A method for push-to-talk communication between the members of

2   an existing push-to-talk communication session within a first communication network

operated by a first network operator, and a group of an additional communication network

4   operated by a second network operator, using a Push-to-Talk over a communication

system (PoC) application server in each communication network, the method comprising:

6   connecting the additional group to each of the existing groups of the session:

        synchronizing the PoC application server of the additional group to the previously

8   synchronized PoC application servers; and

        identifying the PoC application server of the additional group by an address

10   derived from the group address.

11.   (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according

2   to claim 1, wherein the synchronization is carried out automatically by the PoC

application servers.

12.   (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according

2   to claim 2, wherein the synchronization is carried out automatically by the PoC

application servers.

13.   (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according

2   to claim 1, wherein the synchronization is carried out whenever a user requests update of

all group members of the PoC groups before sending a PoC message.

14.   (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according

2   to claim 2, wherein the synchronization is carried out whenever a user requests update of

all group members of the PoC groups before sending a PoC message.

15.   (New) A system for push-to-talk communication between push-to-talk

2   groups of at least two communication networks, the system comprising:

one common group management system; and

4   at least one subsystem for each network operator consisting of at least one push-

to-talk communication application server.

16.   (New) The system according to claim 15, wherein the communication

2   networks are radio communication networks.